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Man Sentenced to Prison for Kidnapping, Assaulting Ex-Girlfriend in Duarte

A 38-year-old man was sentenced today to 16 years and four months in state prison for forcing his ex-girlfriend into a car, assaulting her and threatening to kill her in May, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Aug. 31, a jury found Alberto Casillas guilty of three felony counts in case GA101048: kidnapping, injuring a girlfriend and making criminal threats.

Deputy District Attorney Yoobin Kang Hernandez, who prosecuted the case, said Casillas went to his ex-girlfriend's Duarte home on May 3. While in front of the woman's residence, the defendant forced the ex-girlfriend into his vehicle and threatened to hurt her if she got out, the prosecutor said.

Casillas then drove the pair to his East Los Angeles home, the prosecutor added. A witness to the abduction contacted law enforcement about the attack.

When officers arrived at the defendant's home, they found the victim in the driveway with injuries to her body, according to the prosecutor. Casillas was subsequently arrested in connection with the incident.

The domestic violence case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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